# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RURAL DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL AREAS
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) the criteria adopted and guidelines issued while allocating funds to States under various rural development schemes/programmes;

(b) the funds allocated,released and utilised under each rural development schemes/programme during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise;

(c) the success achieved therefrom during the said period alongwith the number of beneficiaries thereunder, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government for cent-per-cent utilisation of funds and towards achieving the desired results within stipulated time under these schemes/programme?

## Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(Dr. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) The criteria for allocation of Central funds to the States under major rural development programmes/ schemes is given at Annexure-I.

(b)&(c) The Central funds allocated, released, utilized and physical achievements reported for the last three years and current year, State-wise are given at Annexure-II.

( d) The Ministry of Rural Development has developed a comprehensive system of monitoring the implementation of the Programmes, including utilization of funds, through Periodical Progress Reports. Performance Review Committee meetings, Area Officer`s Scheme, Vigilance and Monitoring Committees at the State/District Level, with greater involvement of Members of Parliament, District Level monitoring and National Level Monitors.
Besides, the State Governments have also been advised to adopt a five- pronged strategy consisting of
(i) creation of awareness
(ii) transparency,
(iii) People`s participation,
(iv) accountability, social audit, and
(v) strict vigilance and monitoring at all levels. These mechanisms enable utilization of funds to the maximum extent in accordance with the guidelines of the Programmes.